## Fort Polk School Liaison Officer

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Welcome to Fort Polk, Louisiana! My job as the School Liaison Officer is to assist military families with school and transition issues through providing information, making referrals, and educating families about the school systems in the area. There are resources available to aid military families in navigating the school system and facilitating a smoother educational transition

Communication plays a vital role in establishing and maintaining a successful relationship between you and your child's school. Therefore, please make every effort to become acquainted with your child's teacher, principal, counselor, and other school personnel. When encountering a problem, make an appointment for a conference with your child's teacher and/or principal as soon as possible. The school's personnel will work diligently with you to obtain a resolution. If a resolution cannot be reached to your satisfaction, please feel free to contact the local school board office. I can be reached at 531-9481. You can also visit our website at <a href="https://www.jrtc-polk.army.mil/School%20Liaison">www.jrtc-polk.army.mil/School%20Liaison</a> for more information.

Each school has an active duty or retired military spouse who volunteers to serve as the School Liaison Representative (SLR). The SLR assists the Principal with transition concerns relative to students of military families. I strongly encourage you to contact your school's representative and become involved in the educational experiences and activities offered. When making contact, please inquire about the school's Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO) and consider active membership in this worthwhile organization.

Our military children are a "precious commodity" and an important asset to the school community. It is our goal to develop well educated, productive, contributing members of society. In order to do so, we must work together as a team to ensure a successful educational experience for you and your child.

"Leveling the playing field" for transitioning military children and youth.